

Mr. Robert Murphy
Deputy Under Secretary
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Murphy:

Amory

This is to acknowledge your letter of 19 February 1954 in which you suggest that this Agency consider undertaking a project which would require the preparation of maps of certain areas in the Antarctic. I appreciate the importance of the work being accomplished by the Ad Hoc Committee and the Technical Group on Antarctica and am pleased that a member of this Agency has been able to contribute to this effort.

I am advised that the proposed maps are desired at a moderately large scale and would be compiled from partially controlled aerial photography covering an extensive area of the coastline. Our map-making unit is not equipped or staffed to do this type of compilation and, if the proposed project is in fact of this character, it would have to be undertaken on a contractual basis.

Your request has been referred to appropriate officers within the Agency who are reviewing the proposal with members of the two inter-agency bodies. Upon completion of this review, I shall inform you whether or not this Agency can be of assistance in the preparation of these maps.

Concur: _____
Robert Amory, Jr.
Deputy Director/Intelligence
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27 Feb 54

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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